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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

John J. Nestor et al. :

App. No.: (not yet known) : Art Unit: 1202 (parent case)

Filed: (herewith) : Examiner: M. Berch  
(parent case)

For: 2-(2-AMINO-1,6-DIHYDRO-6-OXO-PURIN-9-YL)METHOXY-1,3-PROPANEDIOL  
DERIVATIVE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend this application, before examination, as follows:

**In the Specification:**

At page 1, line 15 (above "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION"), insert:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a continuation of App. No. 08/453,223, filed May 30, 1995; <sup>now abandoned</sup> which is in turn a continuation-in-part of App. No. 08/281,893, filed July 28, 1994, now abandoned. --

**In the Claims:**

Cancel Claim 1.

Add Claims 23 to 28 as follows:

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